

June 2, 1944

Mr. Francis Matthews,
11 Marble Street,
Roxbury 20, Massachusetts.

Dear Matthews:

I don't recall any problem I have had with the baseball much more disturbing than this one with you. After a lot of quibbling I thought we had come to terms, when I opened the letter from you all it contained was the 2 unsigned contracts.

Apparently all you objected to was my demand that you spend 2 weeks with the ball club at least in training camp.

You are now asking for an outright release, this of course I cannot give you, but I will agree if you will tell me some team you want to be with I will try to work out something with them for you. If you are able to work out some deal for yourself I will consider it. I will even agree to a reasonable cash transaction. I would like very much to see you playing in the league.

Very Truly Yours

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